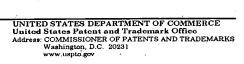


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THE REPLY FILED 26 February 2002 FAILS TO PLACE Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1 condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appea Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.	void abandonment of this applice a timely filed amendment whi	cation. A proper re ch places the appli	ply to a cation in
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1 A Notice of Appeal was filed on Appellant's 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CF			
2. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered be	ecause:		•
(a) they raise new issues that would require further	er consideration and/or search ((see NOTE below);	
(b) they raise the issue of new matter (see Note by	pelow);		
(c) they are not deemed to place the application i issues for appeal; and/or	n better form for appeal by mat	erially reducing or	simplifying the
(d) \square they present additional claims without cancel	ing a corresponding number of	finally rejected clair	ms.
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3. Applicant's reply has overcome the following reject	tion(s):		•
4. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would canceling the non-allowable claim(s).	be allowable if submitted in a s	eparate, timely file	d amendment
5.⊠ The a) affidavit, b) exhibit, or c) request fo application in condition for allowance because: Art			OT place the
6. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered becaused by the Examiner in the final rejection.	cause it is not directed SOLELY	to issues which we	re newly
7. For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment explanation of how the new or amended claims we			and an
The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:	•		
Claim(s) allowed:			
Claim(s) objected to:			
Claim(s) rejected: See prior Office Action.			
Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration:			
8. The proposed drawing correction filed on is	a) ☐ approved or b) ☐ disap	proved by the Exam	niner.
9. Note the attached Information Disclosure Stateme	nt(s)(PTO-1449) Paper No(s).		
10. Other:		1. /2. /	00,00